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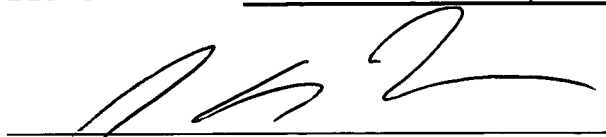
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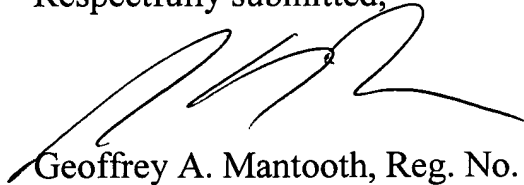
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A Petition for an Extension of Time is enclosed herein.

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